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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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MEDICAL MOSQUITO NETS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the union Government has any proposal to provide medicated mosquito nets to villages in the Malaria affected States including Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government proposes to provide funds for the purpose;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to check the spread of Malaria in Orissa and other Malaria prone States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINSTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANIRAMADOSS)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. Government of India promotes insecticides treated` bednets for control of malaria in the country including the state of Orissa. Under the National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme (NVBDCP), Government provides free bednets as well as synthetic pyrethroid liquid insecticide for treatment of these bednets before distribution to the beneficiaries particularly people living below poverty line in high malaria endemic areas.

The details of supply of mosquito bednets and insecticides i.e. synthetic pyrethroid liquid is enclosed (Annexure -I) Mosquito bednets as well as synthetic pyrethroid (liquid) is centrally procured and supplied to the states for treatment of bednets. Funds provided to the States for treatment of bednets, details are enclosed (Annexure-II).

(e): Government of India provides commodities and cash assistance for IECs and Training to the States for effective control of malaria. All North Eastern States are being provided 100% cash assistance to meet out operational expenditure for implementation of the programme.

Seven North Eastern States alongwith West Bengal, Jharkhand and Orissa are being provided funds under Intensified Malaria Control Project (IMCP) supported by Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM).

1045 Primary Health Centres in 100 districts of eight States including Orissa is being provided additional support under World Bank Assisted Enhanced Malaria Control Project (EMCP).

The programme has the following components:

1. Early diagnosis and prompt treatment.

2. Integrated vector control which includes:

Indoor residual spray in selected pockets at high risk of malaria.
Promotion of use of bednets, preferably insecticide treated.
Use of larvivorous fish.
Environmental and minor engineering methods.

3. Information Education and Communication (IEC) to promote community participation in the programme and inter-sectoral collaboration.

4. Capacity building of optimal utilization of technical manpower.

5. Monitoring & Evaluation of the programme including Computerized Management Information System.